

City of West St. Paul
Open Council Work Session Minutes
May 24, 2021

1. Call to Order

Mayor Napier called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Dave Napier
Councilmembers Wendy Berry, Julie Eastman, Lisa Eng-Sarne, Robyn Gulley,
John Justen, and Dick Vitelli

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager, Nate Burkett
City Planner Melissa Sonnek
Finance Director Char Stark
Attorney Kori Land

3. Review and Approve the OCWS Agenda

Council reviewed the OCWS agenda and made no changes.

4. Review the Regular Meeting Consent Agenda

Councilmember Vitelli requested that item E, “966 and 976,” be pulled from the consent agenda. Mayor Napier stated that he would make the item, New Business, letter D.

5. Agenda Items

A. COVID-19 Update

B. Council Reflections on the State of the City

C. Habitat for Humanity Discussion-1065 Gorman Ave

Ben Post from Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity made a presentation to Council about his organization’s mission and presence in the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. They have an upcoming project at 1065 Gorman Avenue. The lot is currently owned by the Dakota County CDA.

D. Review of Robert Street Renaissance Plan Update and Current Zoning Requirements.

Councilmembers discussed maintaining the Renaissance Plan as a guiding document for developers or formalizing its recommendations into zoning code. After some discussion,

City Planner Sonnek was instructed to address “little pieces” of the plan with the Planning Commission.

6. Adjourn

Motion was made by Councilmember Gulley and seconded by Councilmember Eastman to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 pm.

Vote: 6 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

David J Napier
Mayor
City of West St. Paul